



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

Water Safety Month

WHEREAS, citizens of Rhode Island recognize the vital role that swimming and aquatic-related activities contribute to good physical and mental health and enhance the quality of life for all people; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Rhode Island understand the essential role that education regarding the topic of water safety plays in preventing drowning and recreational water-related injuries; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Rhode Island are aware of the contributions made by the recreational water industry in developing safe swimming facilities, aquatic programs, home pools and spas, and related activities providing healthy places to recreate, learn and grow, build self-esteem, confidence and sense of self-worth which contributes to the quality of life in our community; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Rhode Island recognize the ongoing efforts and commitments to educate the public on pool and spa safety issues and initiatives by the pool, spa, waterpark, recreation and parks industries; and

WHEREAS, citizens of Rhode Island understand the vital importance of communicating water safety rules and programs to families and individuals of all ages; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim May, 2012 Water Safety Month and urge all Rhode Islanders to join me in recognizing the importance of this month.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this 17th day of April, 2012

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

A. Ralph Mollis
Secretary of State